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MEMORANDUM FOR The Adjutants General of all States, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Army National Guard Permissive Parachuting Program (ARH Memo 04-16)

1. Reference Army Regulation (AR) 614-200, paragraph 5-7.
2. This policy applies to all categories of Army National Guard Soldiers and includes Regular Army personnel assigned, attached or detailed to Army National Guard units.
3. The permissive parachuting program is for experienced Army airborne qualified personnel assigned to non-airborne duty positions. Permissive parachuting status may be authorized per AR 614-200 for individuals who have a desire for future airborne assignments and seek to enhance and maintain their static-line military parachuting skills.
4. Personnel interested in participating in the permissive parachuting program must meet the prerequisites of AR 614-200, paragraph 5-7b and possess the following.
 - a. Enlisted personnel must possess SQI "P", "S", or "V" or hold MOS in CMF 18.
 - b. Warrant Officer personnel must possess SQI 7, or MOS 180A or 921A.
 - c. Officer personnel must possess skill code 5P or 5S or AOC 18A.
5. Requests to participate in the permissive parachuting program must originate from and be signed by the soldier who is volunteering for permissive parachuting status. Requests will be forwarded through the chain of command to the appropriate approval authority.
6. The Director, Army National Guard is the approval authority for permissive parachuting requests for Title 10 AGR and Regular Army personnel assigned to the National Guard Bureau. State Adjutants General are delegated approval authority for their Soldiers, including those placed for duty in their states such as Advisors, USPFO, IGs, AC-RC, and Title XI Soldiers, through the rank of Colonel. This authority will not be delegated.
7. Approval authority for General Officers and Colonels selected for promotion to Brigadier General is the Vice Chief of Staff, Army. Forward requests for permissive parachuting status on General Officers and promotable Colonels through Chief, NGB (NGB-ARH-O) to Chief, NGB (NGB-GO) for action.

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8. Reporting requirements. State Adjutants General will:

a. Personally sign or initial all permissive parachuting approvals and requests for exceptions to policy.

b. Forward favorable recommendations for exceptions to AR 614-200 to Chief, NGB (NGB-ARH). These requests will be forwarded to HRC, ODCSPER, for approval.

c. Disapprove requests for permissive parachuting status that are not in accordance with AR 614-200, chapter 5 unless recommending approval of a request for exception to policy. Individuals will not jump until exceptions are approved.


d. Maintain continuous accountability of personnel approved for permissive parachuting status in the following format: grade, name, SSN, unit, date qualified, date last assigned to an authorized airborne position, total months of cumulative Army parachute duty, date assigned to non-parachuting duty, and date of last completed refresher training.

e. Submit a consolidated report with information in (d) above to Chief, NGB (NGB-ARH-S) as of 31 March and 30 September each year. Submit reports via email to the POC listed below. Do not submit negative reports.

f. The Director, Army National Guard (NGB-ARH) will collate total ARNG reports and forward to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DAPE-MPE-DR).

9. Point of contact is MSG McKnight, NGB-ARH, DSN 327-3470; commercial 703-607-3470; FAX 3578; email Kenneth.McKnight@ngb.army.mil.

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